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## BIGGEST FLOOD IN TWO DECADES

Bridges Carried Out and Considerable Damage Caused by Swollen Skeena

The most disastrous flood in the history of the north has taken place during the last few days along the Skeena and Kispiox rivers. Three government wagon road bridges that have been in use for years were carried away by the greatly swollen rivers, the largest bridge of which was across the Skeena about two miles above Hazelton. The other two were spans over the Kispiox river, one at the mouth, near the Indian village, and the other at Mile 17, on the Kispiox Valley road. Below Hazelton the damage was entirely to the loss of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, various bridge and track washouts and slides taking place, of which there is very little detailed information obtainable, on account of interruption of all traffic and telegraphic communication. Railway officials are unable to say when repairs will be completed, but it is agreed that at least two weeks will elapse before trains will run between Hazelton and Prince Rupert.

East of Hazelton, along the Bulkley river, the damage has been slight to both road bridges the railway.

The most serious condition arising locally is the complete isolation of the inhabitants of the Kispiox Valley, who will have to suffer many inconveniences until the government bridges are replaced.

Warm rains after heavy early snow in the mountains are undoubtedly the cause of the floods. The weather is now cooler, the snow has disappeared, and the water is falling as rapidly as it rose.

An official report of the mutiny of the 10,000 Russian troops in France, published by the provisional government, says that soon after the Russian revolution broke out, in Paris there appeared newspapers of the most extreme views, which reached the Russians and began a frantic Maximalist campaign. Artillery was turned on them before their surrender was effected.

Washington: All alien enemies are required to register and obtain permits for travel. They are prohibited from approaching within a hundred yards of water fronts, docks, railroad terminals or storage houses and are forbidden to enter or reside in the district of Columbia.

Serious rioting took place last Sunday in Berlin, according to a despatch from Amsterdam.

## British Capture More Territory

Germans Beaten Back in Flanders---

Russia Sends Peace Notes to Nations

London: We have not yet reached the limit of our victory, and success grows hourly. The total number of prisoners taken is nine thousand. Great stretches of new country and fresh villages have been captured. Weather conditions are unfavorable, heavy mist preventing airplane operations. The latest village captured is Cantaing, and our troops are now in the neighborhood of Boulon and Moerres, while fighting is in progress at Rumilly. The enemy attempted only a few counter-attacks between Rumilly and Noyelles, and were repulsed. Two hundred tanks were used in the big drive. The Germans use companies of cripples and convalescents, who are forced to fight under the lash.

The King has promoted Byng to the rank of general in recognition of his distinguished services in the recent operations.

The Germans are stripping Cambrai of its stores as the British and Teuton armies, locked in violent grips, are less than three miles away from the city. The full strength of the German reinforcements is being felt against the new British line today. The British casualty list is incredibly small. Thousands of lives have been saved by new war machinery.

Petrograd: Trotsky has handed peace notes to all embassies. He thinks it is time for the exhausted nations to stop the unexampled slaughter. Soldiers are warned not to allow the generals to defeat the aims of the Maximalists.

Stockholm: A Russian diplomat is said to be headed for Petrograd with peace proposals from the central empires. Socialist delegates will confer at Stockholm. German newspapers show not much enthusiasm over the Bolshevik proposals.

Rome: A great encircling attack was made yesterday by the Austro-Germans against Monte Meleeta, but the Italians held all positions. The action was preceded by a bombardment of tear-producing shells. The enemy forces were constantly renewed. Several positions were taken more than once. Casualties are heavy.

Berlin: Fighting is progressing favorably for the Austro-Germans in the Italian mountains between the Brenta and Piave rivers.

## PREMIER TRIUMPHS OVER CRITICIZERS

London Press Enthusiastic Over His Defence

London, Nov. 20:—Premier Lloyd George defended himself in the House on Monday against the first serious attack his administration has faced, and so far as the commons is concerned his defence seemed highly successful; the prime minister's admirers call it a triumph.

The attack was focused on two points—the character of the war council which the premier announced in Paris and the condemnation of the Allies' past strategy which he pronounced in his Paris speech.

Ex-premier Asquith was spokesman for the opposition. His speech was not in the tone of an attack, but a sharp criticism of the new plan for Allied control of the war and a vindication of his own government, for which he remarked that he himself and the present premier had each had his particular share of responsibility. It was keyed in a much milder strain than the first hostile outburst from the newspapers and sections of the Liberal and Conservative parties, which greeted the premier on his return home.

The Daily Chronicle congratulated the premier.

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## Hospital Sunday

Sunday, Dec. 2, will be Hospital Sunday in Hazelton, and a special service will be held in St. Peter's Church, at the usual hour in the evening. The address will be delivered by Rev. R. C. Scott. Mrs. Dalby Morrell, of Vancouver, has kindly consented to sing. As the service of the Methodist Church has been withdrawn, all are cordially invited to attend the combined service. The offertory will be given to Hazelton Hospital.

## Soldiers' Aid

At a meeting of the Soldiers' Aid held last week the following new committeemen were appointed: S. Cline, Wm. Grant, Wm. Wattie and H. Welch.

J. K. Frost has resigned the secretaryship, and H. F. Glassey has resigned from the committee prior to his expected departure from Hazelton.

Amsterdam: The Berlin Lokal Anzeiger says the Teutonic Allies' movement for turning the Italian left flank is now being experienced in the face of great Italian superiority. The Italians, strongly reinforced with guns and infantry, have prepared very strong defences on the lower Piave.

New York: The Hindenburg line holds no terrors for Britain's "contemptible little army." The New York press is elated at Haig's victory. The slight losses of the attackers are proof of the breaking German morale.

## FERRY SCOW WENT DOWN RIVER YESTERDAY

Took Crew With it—Means Loss To Ranchers

The ferry scow formerly used on the Bulkley, which was to have been placed in commission on the Skeena to relieve the situation resulting from the wreck of the Skeena bridge, broke away while George Beirnes and Frank Martin were working it across the Bulkley. The heavy current carried the scow as far as Kitsequeela, where its crew had to abandon it. The loss of the ferry means that wagon road communication with the west side of the Skeena and the Kispiox Valley cannot be restored for some time. The canoe ferry is in operation, however, and passengers can cross without difficulty.

## Masquerade Ball

Through the disarrangement of plans caused by interruption of the train service, the masquerade dance, which was to have been held on Friday last, in aid of the Red Cross, has been postponed until next Friday, Nov. 2. An excellent program of old and new dances has been prepared, and many worthwhile prizes will be given for costumes. The dance will commence at 9 p.m. sharp, and unmasking will take place at 10:30.

## LOCAL NEWS PARAGRAPHS

Items of Personal Interest From Hazelton and Surrounding District

Pete Slavin came down from Houston on Thursday.

T. T. Dunlop, road superintendent, arrived from Smithers on Tuesday.

D. J. Williams, superintendent of the Rocher de Boule mine, was a business visitor in town this week.

F. R. Alexander, representing F. G. Dawson, Ltd., of Prince Rupert, came in from the east on Thursday.

J. F. Maguire, who went to Prince Rupert last week, on business, is one of the unfortunates held up by the washouts.

George Beirnes and Frank Martin have secured the contract to move the old Bulkley ferry scow from the Bulkley bridge to the Skeena ferry, opposite Hazelton.

George McBean and Martin Cain are in from the Golden Wonder group. On account of bad weather they have laid off for a few days from their sinking contract on the property, which is being operated by M. W. Sutherland.

## Our Boys in Khaki

The marriage was recently solemnized in England of Lieut. "Tommy" Brewer, a popular Hazelton man, of the 16th Canadian Scottish, and Miss George, of The Elms, Cheam Rd., Sutton, Surrey, England.

Cpl. G. Middleton, of the 16th Canadian Scottish, has been recommended for a commission.

Pte. C. E. Ellaby, of Strathcona's Horse, has been recommended by Major-Gen. Turner, V.C., for a commission.

Pte. G. W. English writes that all the Hazelton boys in the 1st Pioneers are well.

## Victory Loan Meeting

A mass meeting of citizens, in connection with the Victory Loan campaign, will be held in the Board of Trade rooms on Monday evening next, at 8:30. It is expected that J. F. Maguire, chairman of the Hazelton committee, will return from the coast in time for the meeting. In case of his continued absence, the Soldiers' Aid will take charge. All residents are requested to attend.

## W. A.

The annual sale and social evening under the auspices of the W. A. will be held in Assembly Hall on the evening of Dec. 14. Half the proceeds will be given to the Soldiers' Aid.



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### TWO VIEWS.

It is strange to note how some of our contemporaries entirely disregard logic when putting forth their arguments. We are told that if we vote for Union government we are guilty of supporting and building up an autocracy in Canada; that if we vote for the enforcement of the Military Service act we are aiding in establishing in Canada a militarism such as we are fighting against in Germany. Where is the logic of such arguments? We would expect something more moderate, more refined, from a great daily like the Edmonton Bulletin. Such arguments may be used to advantage in the lumber camps of Quebec, but they are quite out of place in Western Canada.

Contrast the sane words of Lord Shaughnessy, the head of our great railway institution: "They call to us for a further supply of men to fill the gaps in their depleted ranks, and failure to respond to that call would not only be a lasting disgrace to Canada, but might be a matter of no small moment in determining the outcome of the struggle."

### Send Your War Photographs

The officer in command of the Canadian War Records has asked us to make known that it is desired to compile a complete history in photographs of the Canadians' share in the war, in the same way that all other belligerent countries are compiling similar records.

It is particularly desired to obtain photographs of all officers, N. C. O.'s and men who have served or are now serving in the overseas military forces of Canada, and it is requested that an appeal should be made to this end through these columns.

All officers and other ranks serving overseas may find it difficult to send in their photographs and their relatives are therefore especially appealed to to send in their photographs for them.

By preference, the photographs should be unmounted and printed on bromide paper, in order to ensure permanence. Each photograph should be accompanied by a concise record, not exceeding 200 or 300 words, of the subject's military career, including date of enlistment, promotions, distinctions, and so on, as this will greatly assist in obtaining a full and accurate record of all concerned.

In addition, it is desired to collect all photographs dealing with the mobilization, training and departure of troops, together with pictures illustrating reviews, sports, presentations, etc. Any photograph of this nature is regarded as a document of historical importance, and it is hoped that the possessors of all photographs of such will deem it their duty to send either the originals or copies, which will ultimately be placed in the permanent public archives of the Dominion.

All photographs, which will be acknowledged, should be addressed to the Officer in Charge Canadian War Records, 14 Clifford St., Bond St., London, W1, England.

### Two Chances

Cheer up! You have two chances—one of being drafted, and one of not; and if you are drafted, you have two chances—one of going to France, and one of not-going; and if you go to France, you have two chances—one of getting shot and one of not; and if you get shot, you have two chances—one of dying and one of not; and if you die—well, you have two chances.

### PREMIER TRIUMPHS OVER CRITICIZERS

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lates Premier Lloyd George on the effectiveness and vigor of his defence. It says: "Outside critics overreach themselves. They should take a lesson from Mr. Asquith in abstaining from malice and irrelevance in criticism."

The Daily Telegraph says he won hands down, adding: "No movement against a government in our time ever perhaps was so completely defeated in a single speech."

"The premier achieved a great personal triumph," says the Times, "and also vindicated the essential soundness in its broad principles the scheme for a closer union of the Allies."

The Daily Mail congratulates the premier on "his brilliant success" and wishes that all on whom he relies for co-operation and support were as energetic as Lloyd George himself.

### MINERAL ACT Certificate of Improvements NOTICE

RIGHT RIM and CENTER FRACTIONAL MINERAL CLAIMS, situated in Omineca mining division of Range 6, Coast district, located on Debutene creek, Babine range, about 24 miles east of Moricetown.

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And further take notice that action, under section 85, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this first day of August, A.D. 1917. Dalby B. Morkill

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Dated this 24th day of September, A.D. 1917. 4-12 Dalby B. Morkill

### NOTICE

IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION for the issue of a fresh Certificate of Title for Lots Twenty-seven (27), Twenty-eight (28), Twenty-nine (29) and Thirty (30), Block Seven (7); Subdivision of the South East quarter of Section Two (2), Township One A (1A), Range Five (5), Coast District, Map 1076. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that it is my intention to issue at the expiration of Thirty (30) days after the first publication hereof a fresh Certificate of Title for the above mentioned lots in the name of Walter Charles Keeble, which Certificate of Title is dated 17th January, 1916, and is numbered 8379-1.

H. F. MACLEOD,  
District Registrar.  
Land Registry Office,  
Prince Rupert, B.C.,  
September 11, 1917.



Synopsis Of Coal Mining Regulations

COAL mining rights of the Dominion, in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the Yukon Territory, the Northwest Territories and in a portion of the Province of British Columbia, may be leased for a term of twenty-one years at an annual rental of \$1 an acre. Not more than 2,560 acres will be leased to one applicant.

Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal subdivisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of \$5, which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of \$10.00 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

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## What the World Is Doing and Saying

Snappy Briefs from all Quarters

Vancouver expects to subscribe \$5,000,000 to the Victory Loan.

The British food controller will sell tea to the people of Britain at cost price.

General Maude, K.C.B., D.S.O., captor of Bagdad, is dead in Mesopotamia.

The majority of Toronto's city policemen in Class A have been refused exemption.

Of the 235 seats in the house, 95 per cent will be contested at the general election.

Sir Wm. Meredith will represent the government on the C. N.R. arbitration board.

Twenty-six men lost their lives in the torpedoing of the American steamship Rochester.

The Duke of Devonshire, Governor-general of Canada, arrived in Vancouver this week. He will also visit Victoria.

Britain is booked to spend a billion and a quarter for foodstuffs alone on this continent in 1918. Canada will get her share.

The British government will purchase all of the Canadian wheat for the balance of the season at \$2.21 per bushel.

None but "A" men can be called to the trenches. Men in categories B, C, D and E can give better service at home.

Through war needs, New York's famous Broadway will be forced to suspend the lighting of its tremendous electric signs.

Since the beginning of the war the British have captured over 166,000 prisoners and have taken 128,000 square miles of territory.

Eighty thousand persons have been hanged in Austria-Hungary since the beginning of the war for political or racial opposition to the government.

The number of citizens of the U. S. who subscribed to the second Liberty Loan is larger than the number who voted for Woodrow Wilson a year ago.

Nine children were killed and twelve seriously injured when an abandoned house, which they were pulling apart for wood, collapsed in Montreal on Saturday.

### Addressing Soldiers' Mail

In order to facilitate the handling of mail at the front and to ensure prompt delivery, it is requested that all mail be addressed as follows:

- (a) Regimental Number.
- (b) Rank.
- (c) Name.
- (d) Squadron, Battery or Company.
- (e) Battalion, Regiment (or other unit), Staff appointment or Department.
- (f) CANADIAN CONTINGENT.
- (g) British Expeditionary Force.
- (h) Army Post Office, LONDON, England.

Unnecessary mention of higher formations, such as brigades, divisions, is strictly forbidden, and causes delay.

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DOMINION DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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## THE MINER WAR NEWS SUMMARY

MONDAY, NOV. 19

London: Italy's armies are making an heroic, and so far successful, stand against the Austro-German masses thrown against them in desperate attacks along the line of the Piave river, and in the mountainous region of the Trentino district. The river line has not been breached at any point, while the thrust of the Austrians southward from the hills in an attempt to drive a wedge through the plains behind the Piave river line is making slow progress. Near the Adriatic the water barrier to any Austro-German advance toward Venice, raised by opening flood gates into the swampy region, is being reinforced by the work of the army artillery and the guns of the Italian warships on the Adriatic.

The Italian line yielded slightly in the hills east of Brenta, where the capture of Monte Prassolan by the Austro-German troops is announced by Berlin. No further advances for the attacking forces in the mountain region northeast of Asiago are claimed.

Military operation in the other war theaters is on a comparatively small scale. The most important move was made in Flanders by the British, who pushed further north on the Goeburg spur, northwest of Passchendaele, capturing the strongly-fortified redoubt of Vocation Farm, improving their positions on this sector to make the present line across Passchendaele Ridge easier to hold.

In Palestine the British forces which recently made so spectacular an advance up the Mediterranean coast to the neighborhood of Jaffa, are still moving forward, but are apparently feeling their way with caution. The Turks are giving signs of making a stand a few miles north of Jaffa, where they are reported to be preparing entrenched positions.

In the sector of the French front held by American troops there has been increased artillery activity, incidental to which there have been additions to the American casualty list, some of which occurred when a German shell hit an American gun.

Washington: America expects to see military unity, and unity of purpose and aims grow out of the Paris war council. All the Allied powers will lay their cards on the table. The U.S. has only one war aim, the crushing of Hohenzollernism. If any nation has secret treaties the U.S. expects that they be known. The United Press has authoritatively learned that the American mission headed by Col. House will enter the war council with these views.

TUESDAY, NOV. 20

Rome: The Austrians who forced their way across the Piave river above Zenson have been thrown into the river; drowned, bayoneted, killed or captured, until now not an enemy remains on the west bank at that most threatened point. The fight was one of the most fearful and most glorious chapters of the war.

London: East and northeast of Ypres the British are now well-established on Passchendaele

ridge. These positions have been under heavy German fire for several days. Around St. Quentin, northwest of Ailette, where the French gained their notable success recently, German and Allied patrols are busy.

Five German submarines were destroyed on Saturday, it was announced in the commons.

German light cruisers, which fled through Heligoland Bight on Saturday before British warships of a similar type, were pursued within thirty miles of Heligoland, where they came under the protection of the German battlefleet and minefields. One German light cruiser was observed to be in flames and the machinery of another appeared to be damaged.

The capture of Jerusalem may be effected speedily. General Allenby's forces have taken Jaffa and are pressing on to the Holy City. The Turkish army is in full retreat and incapable of effective resistance.

The Cathedral of the Assumption and the Church of St. Basil have been destroyed in the Moscow riots, and the nation stands aghast at such wanton destruction. Many persons were killed. A reign of terror prevailed in the ancient capital for some days.

Lloyd George is fighting the greatest battle of his career. He will either emerge the strongest man in Europe or be beaten completely.

Petrograd: Berlin will not treat with the Bolsheviks, and will deal only with the legal successors of the Imperial government. The extremists are in full control at Petrograd. The revolutionary committee is extending its influence through the north.

Venice: The rumble of guns is heard day and night as the fleet and Venice batteries shell the enemy at the mouth of the Piave river.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 21

Rome: The struggle between the Austro-Germans and Italians on Monte Tomba and Monte Monfenera, in the mountainous region of northern Italy, continues. The invading forces have been driven back four times in attempts to take Italian positions on Monfenera spur.

Pope Benedict has extracted a promise from Germany and Austria not to damage Venice or remove her priceless art treasures if the city is evacuated before the advancing Teutonic army, according to a well-authenticated report today.

London: Great Britain, France, Italy and the United States have begun immediately to repair the damage caused by past misunderstandings, and will build a fresh campaign policy based on unity of effort, militarily, politically and economically. In parliament last night Lloyd George told his story, convinced his hearers, and won a battle which marks the turning point of the war.

British troops are now within twelve miles of Jerusalem. The Pope considers the recovery of the Holy Land one of the greatest triumphs of Christianity.

Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire troops made a successful raid last night east of Frampeux.

In the region of Wyttschaete a raiding party of Germans was driven off by our fire. On the Ypres front we improved our positions slightly during the night northeast of Passchendaele.

Paris: Grand Duke Nicholas has been put in command of General Kaledine's Cossacks, in a plan proposed by the latter to restore the monarchy in Russia, according to a Vienna despatch.

Germans made an attack last night on a front of one mile in the Verdun sector north of Caurieres wood, and were repulsed.

Copenhagen: Reports from several sources in Germany bear out the assumption that, taking advantage of the situation in Russia, the Germans are making heavy transfers of troops from the Russian front. Only part of them appear to be going to Italy, where the front is too narrow to permit use of masses, and a blow by Hindenburg at some other point may be expected. German papers discuss with suspicious frankness the prospect of an offensive on the Saloniki front.

THURSDAY, NOV. 22

London: The British have broken the Hindenburg line. Haig reported this morning that at various points on a front at least 20 miles long his troops had forced their way forward for a distance of between four and five miles, capturing the first line of German defences and storming the second, more than a mile beyond. The Germans are fighting on their last line of defence at one point. Five thousand prisoners have been captured. The British now directly menace the German line of Douai, Cambrai and St. Quentin. Cambrai is almost in the hands of the British. The attack began at dawn on Tuesday by the third army under Sir Julian Byng. There was no artillery preparation, and as a consequence the enemy was taken by surprise.

Berlin admits the loss of Marcoing, Graincourt and strongly-fortified permanent works.

The British forces in Palestine have advanced five miles northwest of Jerusalem.

Nearly a thousand Germans have been captured in German East Africa.

Paris: During the night we made successful incursions into the German lines north and south of St. Quentin and brought back prisoners.

Rome: Along the Piave where the fighting was heaviest the foe advanced with hands up, but the ruse failed. The strategy of the enemy was intended to cover a murderous attack by concealed machine guns. The treacherous troops were mown down in heaps.

Washington: General Kaledine and his Cossacks are moving against Moscow, where 8,000 persons are reported killed in riots. General Brussiloff was wounded in the leg by a shell.

Copenhagen hears Russia is about to conclude a separate peace. Other despatches say the people are revolting against the Bolshevik rule.

FRIDAY, NOV. 23

Petrograd: The Russian government yesterday ordered Gen-

eral Dukhowin, commander-in-chief, to open negotiations for an armistice with the commanders of the enemy armies. The proposal to negotiate a peace was officially conveyed to the ambassadors of the Allied nations at Petrograd.

London: The six mile wedge driven into the German defences in the British offensive on the Arras-St. Quentin front is penetrating still deeper and spreading out. On some stretches of the front the British have broken into the enemy's final defence line. All German counter-attacks have been repulsed. The village of Fontaine Notre Dame has been captured. This village is two and three-quarter miles southwest of Cambrai, on the main road between Bapaume and Cambrai.

Berlin: The battle southwest of Cambrai is continuing. The enemy did not succeed in breaking through, though he gained a little ground beyond the front German line. Several British tanks were shot to pieces.

Rome: The Piave battle is near a finish. The struggle of the giants is gradually developing to the disadvantage of the invaders, who now move slowly. The Italians are offering a tenacious resistance. The Austro-Germans have reached a few outstanding positions on the Monte Socca line.

Paris: Germans last night made a counter-attack on the Aisne front, endeavoring to recapture the ground won by the French yesterday. The attack was repulsed and 400 Germans were captured.

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